REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending. By this Amendment, Claims 5-8, 10 and 14 are amended merely to correct the dependency of the claims to provide proper antecedent basis therein and Claims 16-17 are added. Support for the added claims can clearly be found in the originally filed application, such as in paragraph [0002] and Figure 1, therefore Applicant respectfully submits no new material is presented herein.

Specification

Paragraph [0002] of the originally filed Specification is amended herein merely to correct a grammatical error therein.

Claim Objections

Claims 5-6, 10 and 14 are objected to for informalities therein. Claims 5-8, 10 and 14 have been responsive to the objection. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-17 Recite Patentable Subject Matter

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Number 6,528,969 to Tung et al. (Tung). Claims 2-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Number 6,215,273 to Shy in view of Tung and further in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,501,246 to You et al. (You). Applicant respectfully traverses both rejections.

Claim 1 recites a mobile phone charger for charging a mobile phone through a power cord adapter, including a housing unit; a receptacle disposed in the housing unit for receiving the power cord adapter; and a power source disposed in the housing unit and electrically connected to the receptacle for electrically charging the mobile phone.

Claim 9 recites a mobile phone charger for charging a mobile phone through a power cord adapter, including a housing unit that includes a front panel and a rear panel; a receptacle disposed in the housing unit for receiving the power cord adapter; and a power source disposed in the housing unit and electrically connected to the receptacle for electrically charging the mobile phone, wherein the front and back panels each has partition walls to define a first chamber for housing the power source, and a second chamber for housing the receptacle.

Applicant respectfully submits that Tung does not disclose or suggest each and every feature recited by Claims 1 and 9.

Applicant respectfully notes the Office Action asserts that Tung discloses a portable charger (2) for a mobile telephone (1) having a housing (23) to house a battery (22), and a receptacle (25) to receive a power cord adapter (3) for charging the phone (1). The Office Action refers to Figure 2 of Tung for support of the above-noted assertions.

Applicant respectfully notes Tung clearly discloses a portable charger (2) that is used to charge a mobile phone (1) via a connecting wire (3) which connects the charger (2) to the phone (1). The Office Action erroneously characterizes the battery cover (23) as the housing of the charger (2) when the charger (2) actually includes a battery box (21) mechanically and electrically connected to a power transformer box (24) (see column 2, lines 7-23 and Figure 2 of Tung). The battery box (21) includes the battery cover (23), which grants a user access to the batteries (22, 22) stored in the battery box (21). The transforming box (24) includes a power output receptacle (25) which receives therein the DC connector (31) of the connecting wire (3). While the transforming box

(24) transforms the voltage of the batteries (22, 22) contained in the battery box (21), the transforming box (24) is not contained or otherwise provided within the battery box (21) itself. Rather, the transforming box (24) is connected, both electrically and mechanically, to the battery box (21).

By reciting that the receptacle and power source are both disposed in the housing unit, Claims 1 and 9 clearly and unambiguously recite the receptacle and power source are disposed in the same housing. Tung fails to disclose or suggest such a feature. In order for Tung to anticipate that which is recited by Claims 1 and 9, Applicant respectfully submits the battery box (21) and power transforming box (24) should be provided within the same housing and not mechanically and electrically connected to each other.

Tung provides no such disclose, expressly or suggested otherwise.

Applicant respectfully notes the Office Action asserts Shy teaches a portable power supply (10) having a chamber (121) that houses a power battery unit (50), and a second chamber (44) that houses a power cord adapter (45). The Office Action points to Figures 2-3 of Shy as supporting the assertions made in the Office Action. The Office Action then admits that Shy is not used to charge a mobile phone.

Applicant notes Shy does not teach or suggest being used to charge a mobile phone because Shy is directed at coupling the battery (50) disposed in the housing (10) for quickly and easily jump starting another motor vehicle (see the Abstract and column 2, lines 59-61 of Shy). Furthermore, Applicant notes reference number (45) does not identify a power cord adapter as asserted by the Office Action. Rather, reference number (45) identifies the rods onto which the clips (46) are received, wherein the clips

(46) are coupled to an end of power cables (47), and wherein the other end of the power cables (47) are coupled to poles of the battery (50). Moreover, Applicant respectfully notes the rods (45, 45) and clips (46, 46) are disposed within the opening (44) of a casing (40) that is attached to the housing (10) via catches (43) and a resilient latch (42). However, because the casing (40) is attached **to** the housing (10), Applicant respectfully submits the casing (40) is not disposed **in** the housing (10). Accordingly, because the casing (40) is not disposed in the housing (10), Applicant respectfully submits the opening (or receptacle as apparently characterized by the Office Action) (44) in which the rods (45), clips (46), and portions of the cables (47) are disposed cannot and is not disposed in the housing (10). Hence, Shy, like Tung, fails to teach or suggest disposing the opening (or receptacle) (44) in the housing (10).

You is cited merely for teaching it is known in the art to provide a cap to protect a receptacle. You fails to overcome the above-described drawbacks of Tung and Shy.

To qualify as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102, a single reference must teach, i.e., identically describe, each and every feature recited by a rejected claim. To establish prima facie obviousness of a rejected claim, each and every feature recited by a rejected claim must be taught or suggested in the applied art of record. M.P.E.P. §2143.03. As explained above, Tung, Shy and You, alone or in any combination, fail to disclose or suggest each and every feature recited by Claim 1 and 9. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits Claims 1 and 9 are not anticipated by or rendered obvious in view of Tung, Shy and You. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits Claims 1 and 9 should be deemed allowable.

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Claims 2-8 and 16 depend from Claim 1. Claims 10-15 and 17 depend from

Claim 9. It is respectfully submitted that these dependent claims be deemed allowable

for at least the same reasons Claims 1 and 9 are allowable, respectively, as well as for

the additional subject matter recited therein.

Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of both rejections.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration of the application, withdrawal of the

outstanding objection and rejections, allowance of Claims 1-17, and the prompt

issuance of a Notice of Allowability are respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place this

application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the

undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicant

respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an

extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper,

may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing docket

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